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1. EMBOFF CALLED ON FISHERIES ADVISOR OF MINISTRY OF COMMERCE WHO SUPPLIED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: TUNA FISHING IS THE ONLY FISHING SPECIFICALLY DEALT WITH UNDER PANAMANIAN LEGISLATION. A COPY OF THE 1964 DECREE, STILL IN EFFECT, IS BEING TRANSMITTED BY AIRGRAM. HOWEVER, SHRIMP FISHING AND THE CAPTURE OF FISH FOR MANUFACTURE OF FISH MEAL ARE LIMITED TO LOCALLY BASED BOATS.

2. SPECIFICALLY THE CHARGE PER YEAR FOR TUNA LICENSE IS \$5 PER NET REGISTERED TON. PETITION MUST BE FILED BY LAWYER ALONG WITH CREW LIST AND COPY OF NAVIGATION PERMIT AT THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE. THE NAVIGATION PERMIT, ACCORDING TO THE DIRECTOR OF CONSULAR AND SHIPPING AFFAIRS RUNS ABOUT \$720 FOR AN AVERAGE SIZED TUNA BOAT.

3. NO LEGISLATION EXISTS FOR OTHER FISHING AND THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS AS TO TYPE OF GEAR. PERMISSION WOULD HAVE TO BE REQUESTED FROM THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, BUT TO DATE NO SUCH REQUESTS HAVE BEEN MADE. IT IS NOT LIKELY THAT SUCH PERMISSION WOULD BE GRANTED BECAUSE OF THE LARGE NUMBER OF ARTESAN FISHERMEN.

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